

**BEFORE THE BOARD OF OIL, GAS AND MINING
DEPARTMENT OF NATURAL RESOURCES
STATE OF UTAH**

IN THE MATTER OF THE REQUEST FOR AGENCY ACTION OF QEP ENERGY COMPANY FOR AN ORDER AUTHORIZING THE FLARING OF GAS IN EXCESS OF THE AMOUNTS ALLOWED UNDER UTAH ADMIN. CODE RULE R649-3-20(1.1) FROM A TOTAL OF SIX WELLS LOCATED WITHIN TOWNSHIP 10 SOUTH, RANGES 17 AND 18 EAST, DUCHESNE AND UINTAH COUNTIES, UTAH.

NOTICE OF HEARING

**Docket No. 2013-017
Cause No. 259-03**

THE STATE OF UTAH TO ALL PERSONS INTERESTED IN THE FOLLOWING MATTER.

Notice is hereby given that the Board of Oil, Gas and Mining ("Board"), State of Utah, will conduct a hearing on **WEDNESDAY, JUNE 26, 2013, at 9:00 AM**, or as soon thereafter as possible, in the auditorium of the Department of Natural Resources, 1594 West North Temple, Salt Lake City, Utah.

The hearing will be conducted as a formal administrative adjudication in accordance with the rules of the Board as set forth in Utah Administrative Code R641 et seq. and as provided for in Utah Code Ann. § 40-6-1 et seq. and Utah Code Ann. § 63G-4-101 through 601.

The purpose of the hearing will be for the Board to receive testimony and evidence regarding a Request for Agency Action that the Board enter an Order:

1. Authorizing QEP as operator of the WR 16G-32-10-17 well located in the SE1/4SE1/4 of Section 32, T10S, R17E, and the WRB 16-17-10-17 well located in the SE1/4SE1/4 of Section 17, T10S, R17E, both in Duchesne County, Utah, the RB DS 1G-7-10-18 well located in the NE1/4NE1/4 of Section 7, T10S, R18E, the RB DS 14G-8-10-18 well located in the SE1/4SW1/4 of Section 8, T10S, R18E, the DS 14G-6-10-18 well located in the SE1/4SW1/4 of Section 6, T10S, R18E, and the DS 14G-7-10-18 well located in the SE1/4SW1/4 of Section 7, T10S, R18E, all in Uintah County, Utah, hereinafter referred to as the "Subject Wells", to flare gas in excess of amounts currently allowed under Utah Admin. Code Rule R649-3-20(1.1), until construction of the pipeline to the wells is completed; provided, however, that if construction of the pipeline to the WR 16G-32-10-17 and WR 16G-17-10-17 Wells will not be completed by September 1, 2013, and the remainder of the Subject Wells by November 1, 2013, QEP shall prepare

and submit a written report to the Division by August 1, 2013, or October 1, 2013, respectively, or as soon as QEP becomes aware that construction will not be timely completed, explaining the circumstances and when construction will be completed such that if the Division so determines, QEP shall reappear before the Board to submit additional evidence and testimony in conformance with Utah Admin. Code Rule R649-3-20(5) to reflect that the authorized flaring is still justified or that modification of the Order is instead required; and

2. Providing for such other and further relief as may be just and equitable under the circumstances.

Objections to the Request for Agency Action must be filed with the Secretary of the Board at the address listed below no later than June 14, 2013. A party must file a timely written objection or other response in order to participate as a party at the Board hearing.

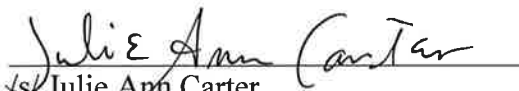
Natural persons may appear and represent themselves before the Board. All other representation by parties before the Board will be by attorneys licensed to practice law in the State of Utah, or attorneys licensed to practice law in another jurisdiction which meet the rules of the Utah State Bar for practicing law before the Utah Courts.

Persons interested in this matter may participate pursuant to the procedural rules of the Board. The Request for Agency Action, and any subsequent pleadings, may be inspected at the office of the undersigned.

Pursuant to the Americans with Disabilities Act, persons requiring auxiliary communicative aids and services to enable them to participate in this hearing should call Julie Ann Carter at (801) 538-5277, at least three working days prior to the hearing date.

DATED this 24th day of May, 2013.

STATE OF UTAH
BOARD OF OIL, GAS AND MINING
James T. Jensen, Chairman


/s/ Julie Ann Carter
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CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I hereby certify that I caused a true and correct copy of the foregoing **NOTICE OF HEARING** for Docket No. 2013-017, Cause No. 259-03 to be mailed via E-Mail, and First Class Mail, with postage prepaid, this 24th day of May, 2013, to the following:

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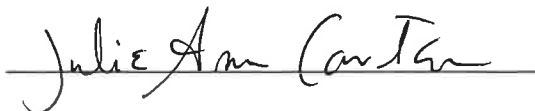
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I hereby certify that I caused a true and correct copy of the foregoing NOTICE OF HEARING for Docket No. 2013-017, Cause No. 259-03 to be PUBLISHED in the following newspapers on the following days:

June 2, 2013:

The Salt Lake Tribune and Deseret Morning News, newspapers of general circulation in Salt Lake City and County.

June 4, 2013:

Uintah Basin Standard, a newspaper of general circulation in Duchesne and Uintah Counties.

June 5, 2013:

The Vernal Express, a newspaper of general circulation in Daggett and Uintah Counties.

